

Yacht Charter Guide

Chartering a yacht offers a very unique holiday experience. It combines the comfort and amenities of luxury accommodation with the excitement of living at sea and visiting a different location every day. The Adriatic region is a sailor's paradise. The warm climate, calm seas and light winds make it one of the most popular destinations for yacht charter in the Mediterranean. There are countless islands, beautiful beaches and endless shorelines to explore. The crystal blue waters are ideal for snorkelling, swimming and scuba diving. You can count on a holiday experience that will exceed your expectations.

Types of Charter

We offer three main types of yacht charter. A bareboat charter is a yacht rental without crew. The boat is skippered and crewed by the guests. At least one guest must be an experienced sailor and hold a relevant licence or day skipper qualification. In Croatia it is also mandatory to hold a VHF radio operator certificate. Bareboat charters offer a truly unique and liberating holiday experience. You have the freedom to plan your own itinerary and explore at your own pace. The Adriatic area provides ideal sailing conditions for those crewing the boat themselves.

An alternative to a bareboat charter is a skippered charter. A professional skipper is hired who takes responsibility for the boat, navigation and passengers. This can provide the best of both worlds as guests can help crew the boat knowing that an experienced skipper with local knowledge is there to assist and keep them safe. A skippered bareboat is less expensive than a crewed yacht. A fully crewed charter is ideal if you are looking for maximum comfort and relaxation. These boats tend to be larger and more luxurious with additional equipment such as hot tubs, satellite TV and a range of water sport equipment. You decide on the itinerary with a chef to serve the best cuisine and a professional crew to take care of your safety and comfort.

Our flotilla charters offer the freedom of skippering your own vessel with the support of a flotilla crew. A group of yachts sail together accompanied by a lead yacht with a flotilla skipper and hostess. These charters are ideal for newly qualified skippers. The itinerary is

planned and morning briefings held to discuss the planned route and local hazards to avoid. Flotilla charters give you the chance to enjoy independent cruising during the day with group social activities at night.

Insurance

All our charter yachts are fully insured against loss and accidental damage. Your personal belongings are not covered. Engine damage due to low oil levels is not covered so skippers must check the oil in the engine every day. Your health and safety are important to us. We strongly recommend you purchase personal travel insurance from a reputable provider before you travel with us. This should cover all activities associated with sea travel including personal liability, cancellation and travel disruption, money and personal effects, and medical expenses. All European Union citizens should carry the European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). This makes it easier to access free or reduced cost, state provided medical treatment and medication costs in the European Economic Area.

A yacht security deposit must also be paid on embarkation. The amount payable represents the yacht insurance excess. You are expected to take all reasonable care during the charter period but in the event of damage or loss to the vessel and its equipment, or to any third party yacht involved in an accident, your liability is limited to the value of the security deposit. At the end of your charter the deposit is refunded subject to there being no claims, damage to the boat or loss of equipment on board.

Costs

We want the cost of your charter holiday to be as transparent as possible. Every quote from us will list what is included, compulsory extras and optional add-ons. There are no hidden extras. Our yacht charter prices are quoted by the week and will depend on the type, size and age of the yacht, charter area and the time of year. This is the base charter rate you will pay to hire a yacht, regardless of the number of guests in your party. In addition to the cost of the yacht, flights and transfers, there are some extra costs which are not included in the base charter cost. These are payable locally and include:

fuel for navigation and generators
children's life jackets
entertainment systems
food and drink
local cruising tax
beach towels
on-board Wi-Fi
mooring and harbour fees
water sports equipment.

If you book a crewed charter with us an Advanced Provisioning Allowance is payable. This is paid at the time of booking and is normally set at 30% of the base charter fee. This allowance is used by the crew to provision the yacht and to cover all extra expenses associated with your charter. If the extra costs amount to less than the APA, then you will be reimbursed the balance at the end of your charter. If the APA does not cover the total extra costs, then the balance must be settled. Some guests choose to leave any APA left over as gratuity for the crew, if they have provided an excellent charter experience.

At the commencement of your charter each yacht is supplied with a complimentary pack of basic supplies such as tea, coffee, sugar, milk, bread

and cleaning materials. Your yacht will be supplied with full diesel and water tanks. One bottle of gas is included.

Mooring

Mooring in the home port on the first and last night of your charter is free of charge. There is ample free parking and the complex is staffed 24 hours a day. Away from the home port mooring fees are widespread and you will need to pay these locally. Mooring fees are charged by the night and prices vary depending on your location, the facilities offered, time of the season and the length of your boat. Marinas are generally privately owned and well-equipped with modern facilities. They are the most expensive option but do offer the best facilities in the form of security, water and electricity supplies, toilet and shower facilities, laundry services, shops and restaurants. Ports are cheaper but usually have limited facilities available. During the summer season demand for moorings often exceeds the available capacity so it is advisable to make an online berth reservation before arrival. The following table gives examples of the daily berthing costs for this summer:

	Boat Length		
	12m	15m	20m
Branimir Marina	€72	€130	€187
Marina Naupotiri	€85	€96	€159
Marina Vitus	€98	€110	€125
Pavao Island Marina	€74	€90	€115
Port Djurak	€90	€118	€157

Town quays or harbours are a cheaper option. They usually have basic facilities such as water and electricity and some have shower facilities. They operate on a first come first served basis. Anchoring is free in most places but you will not be attached to an electricity or water supply and you will need to use a dinghy to get ashore. A sign with an upside down anchor means no anchoring is allowed. Some restaurants offer mooring facilities which are free if you eat with them.

Tawara Adriatic Charters is a highly professional yacht charter company with an unrivalled reputation for service and excellence. We have over 100 charter yachts and are constantly investing in our fleet. When you choose a Tawara Adriatic Charter you

can be sure you are sailing in safety and comfort. Our highly skilled staff are dedicated to ensuring every client is well served. Welcome aboard, relax and let us find the perfect solution to guarantee you an unforgettable private yacht charter experience.